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DATE: December 2, 2005

TO: Legislative Finance Committee

FROM: Taryn Purdy

RE: Operating Plan Changes and Program Transfers of a Time Sensitive Nature

Sections 17-7-138 and 17-7-139, MCA, require that cumulative operating budget changes (in any budget category) and program transfers of \$25,000 and 25 percent or \$1,000,000 must be brought before the Legislative Finance Committee (LFC) prior to implementation, unless of a time sensitive nature. Since the last meeting of the LFC, the Office of Budget and Program Planning approved as time sensitive one operating plan change that met these criteria. The attached memorandum from OBPP explains the change.

LFD staff has reviewed the BCD and does not raise any issues of legality.

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